

REMARKS

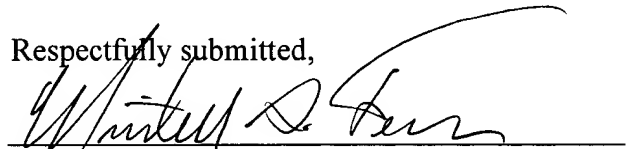
In the Office Action dated October 14, 2005, the Examiner rejected the claims on the grounds of non-obviousness double patenting in view of parent patent 6,330,244. Submitted herewith is a Terminal Disclaimer over the '244 Patent. Accordingly, the double patenting rejection has been traversed.

The Examiner has also requested that the related case information in the specification be updated. The specification has been amended accordingly.

All the issues raised by the Examiner are believed to have been addressed. However, should there be any further concerns, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number below.

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